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Application No.: 09/473,323
Applicant: Maini
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Examiner: LAGMAN, FREDERICK LYNDON

Docket No.: 21964-P002US
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For: **TAUT MOORING SYSTEM FOR JACK-UP TYPE MOBILE OFFSHORE PLATFORM**

Commissioner for Patents
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136

Applicant hereby petitions for an Extension of Time for responding to the Office Action mailed 4 August 2003 for one (1) month to December 4, 2003.

First Month (37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1)) \$55.00

A check in the amount of \$55.00 is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-2426 (reference 21964-P002US) of Winstead Sechrest & Minick.

Respectfully submitted,
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